What is eLearning?

At MCC, eLearning courses are offered in five different delivery methods: Online(L), Hyflex (H), Video Conferencing (V), Blended (B), and Blended + Video Conferencing (BV). MCC provides eLearning options to support our students, open access, and remove barriers students face related to time and place.

Each eLearning delivery method (also called modality) has a section letter on the course schedule (that appears after the section number) so that students know their options related to where to attend class and when to attend class.

Modality Name	Section Letter
Online	L
Hyflex	Н
Blended	В
Video Conferencing	V
Blended + Video Conferencing	BV

What if a course doesn't have a section letter (just a number)?

No letter = face-to-face

This course section designed for in-person, on-campus attendance.

What does this mean for place?

Do I need to be on campus for course sessions?

Yes, you need to be on campus to attend scheduled course sessions.

What does this mean for time?

Do I need to attend class sessions at a specific time? Yes, you will be expected to attend scheduled course sessions in accordance with the course attendance policy.

How does each eLearning delivery method (modality) work?

Each of the following sections describes what each delivery method (modality) means for place and for time. Read about all of them before you start reviewing the schedule or jump to the one you have guestions about.

L = Online

Online = 100% of the course section is offered completely online and delivered asynchronously.

What does online mean for place?

Do I need to be on campus for course sessions?

No. Online classes have no scheduled on campus meeting times.

What does online mean for time?

Do I need to attend class sessions at a specific time? No. While there are no regularly scheduled class sessions, your instructor might require student conferences during the semester. You'll have the ability to work around your schedule to setup appointments. You might also have tests that need to be completed during a 24-hour period; however, those dates will be available from the beginning of the semester so that you can plan ahead.

Synchronous means that everyone is doing something together at the same time.

Asynchronous means that everyone is working at different times.

H = Hyflex

Hyflex = Course section where students may choose to attend synchronously (face-to-face or sometimes via video conference) or in an asynchronous online environment.

What does Hyflex mean for place?

Do I need to be on campus for course sessions? No, but you can choose to attend scheduled course sessions on campus. While you don't have to come to the classroom for the scheduled class meetings, you can. You can also attend the scheduled class sessions via Zoom in some hyflex sections.

What does Hyflex mean for time?

Do I need to attend class sessions at a specific time? No, but you can. While the course has scheduled class times, you can attend those by coming to the classroom, attending class via Zoom (where offered), or completing the work asynchronously without attending the scheduled times. The course schedule will show when the class meets; however, each week you can choose to participate asynchronously instead of attending the synchronous sessions.

B=Blended

Blended = Course section designed to be delivered partially online in an asynchronous format and partially through face-to-face synchronous interaction. Both online and F2F interactions are required for the course.

What does Blended mean for place?

Do I need to be on campus for course sessions? Yes, part of the course is held in a classroom at a particular time. Not all course credits are associated with a scheduled class time. The syllabus will explain how the course credits are split between scheduled class sessions and online asynchronous work.

What does Blended mean for time?

Do I need to attend class sessions at a specific time? Yes, you need to attend the portion of the credits with scheduled meeting times. Not all course credits are associated with a scheduled class time. For example, a 3-credit blended class might have two 55-minute class sessions each week instead of three. The course schedule will show when the class meets.

V=Video Conference

Video Conference= Course section designed for synchronous interactive video.

What does Video Conference mean for place?

Do I need to be on campus for the scheduled course sessions? No, while you will need to be available at the scheduled times, you can attend all or some of those scheduled times via Zoom. Use a headset to improve your ability to hear and be heard in class.

What does Video Conference mean for time?

Do I need to attend class sessions at a specific time? Yes, while you can attend by coming to the classroom or joining class via Zoom, you will be expected to attend scheduled course sessions in accordance with the course attendance policy.

BV=Blended + Video Conference

Blended = Course section designed to be delivered partially online in an asynchronous format and partially through face-to-face interaction. Both online and F2F interactions are required for the course.

Video Conference= Course section designed for synchronous interactive video.

What does Blended + Video Conference mean for place?

Do I need to be on campus for course sessions? No, but you can choose to attend on campus. While part of the course is held in a classroom at a particular time, you can attend those scheduled times via Zoom as well as by coming to the classroom. Not all course credits are associated with a scheduled class time. The syllabus will explain how the course credits are split between scheduled class sessions and online asynchronous work.

What does Blended + Video Conference mean for time?

Do I need to attend class sessions at a specific time? Yes, while you need to attend the portion of the credits with scheduled meeting times in accordance with the class attendance policy, you can attend those sessions via Zoom. Not all course credits are associated with a scheduled class time. For example, a 3-credit blended class might have two 55-minute class sessions each week instead of three. The course schedule will show when the class meets.

How is a Blended + Video Conference course different from a Hyflex course?

A course designated BV expects students to regularly attend the portion of the course with scheduled course sessions (either in room or via Zoom), and all students must complete the asynchronous portion that way.

A course designated H allows students to choose to complete the course asynchronously by working on your own in Canvas or synchronously by attending scheduled course sessions. A course designated H is built so that across the semester students can seamlessly move between synchronous and asynchronous participation.

Have more questions?

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